

cucumbers, figs, filberts, grapes, guava, lemons, Macadamia nuts, ornamentals, peppers, pineapples, rye, squash, tangerines, tangerine hybrids, tobacco, tomatoes, walnuts, wheat, rape, corn, flax, maize, oranges, peaches, rubber, and sugarcane.

**Abstract of the Disclosure:** It has been shown that the formulation of phosphonic compound (ethephon) with sulfuric acid increases the efficacy and efficiency of ethephon and the speed of the effect of the ethephon. It was theorized that the effect that is shown by the mixture of ethephon and sulfuric acid could be achieved using another acid. The effect was demonstrated using muratic acid. All acids that reduce the pH of the spray carrier are claimed in this patent as synergist for phosphonic acid compounds such as ethephon.